IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: E. HEBERT et al.

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MULTILAYER GOLF BALL WITH A For:

THIN THERMOSET OUTER LAYER

Group Art Unit: 3729

Examiner: P. Kim

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INARYAMENDMENT SUBMITTED WITH FILING OF VISIONAL/CPA APPLICATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 15, 2000, Applicants respectfully request the entry of the following amendments and remarks into the record of the above-identified application prior to examination thereof.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please examine the following new claims:

(New) A method of forming a golf ball comprising the steps of: 28. forming a solid core;

forming an inner cover layer having a first shore D hardness and having an outer diameter of at least 1.58 inches;

casting an outer cover layer made from a material having a second shore D hardness less than the first.

- 29. (New) The method of claim 28 wherein the outer cover layer has a hardness from about 30 to about 60 shore D.
- 30. (New) The method of claim 29 wherein the outer cover layer has a hardness from about 40 to about 60 shore D.